

HOUDA ELKHOURY

TO PRACTICE RESPIRATORY CARE IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF RESPIRATORY CARE

Administrative Action
CONSENT ORDER

This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Respiratory Care upon the application of respondent Houda Elkhoury for a temporary license to practice respiratory care in the State of New Jersey. In connection with that application, respondent acknowledged that she had been convicted in Federal Court in Pennsylvania upon a plea of Guilty to Conspiracy to Commit Credit Card Fraud regarding an incident which occurred seven years ago. Based upon the judge's finding that she had substantially assisted the government in its prosecution of others involved in fraud, and other mitigating factors, she was sentenced to probation. At a hearing regarding her license application held before the Board Ms. Elkhoury testified acknowledging her conviction, taking responsibility for her wrongful acts, and regarding mitigating factors and her desire to practice respiratory care in New Jersey.

The Board having considered the aforesaid information, and the parties being desirous of resolving this matter without the necessity of further formal proceedings, respondent having waived any right to further proceedings in this matter, and the Board finding that the within Order is adequately protective of the

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public health, safety and welfare, and that good cause exists for its entry:

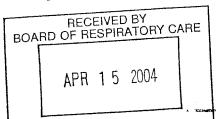
IT IS ON THIS 15 TH DAY OF April 2004,

ORDERED that Houda Elkhoury is hereby reprimended for the conduct underlying the criminal conviction outlined above, and it is further

ordered that a temporary license to practice respiratory care in the State of New Jersey pursuant to N.J.S.A. 45:14E-14 shall be issued to Houda Elkhoury provided she complies with all provisions of this Order. Such temporary permit shall expire 6 months from its issuance or upon notification of failure of the CRTT examination, whichever occurs earlier. In the event of failure of the examination, respondent may apply for one renewal of the permit, which will automatically expire in six (6) months in the event she does not take, or again fails, the CRTT examination, and it is further

ORDERED that Houda Elkhoury shall apply for and take the (CRTT) Certified Respiratory Therapy Technician examination given by the NBRC prior to the expiration of her first temporary permit and in the event she is issued a second temporary permit, shall take the examination prior to the expiration of the second permit, and it is further

ORDERED that Houda Elkhoury's temporary license shall be on probation and she shall practice respiratory care only in a hospital setting under the direct supervision of a licensed respiratory care practitioner. Respondent shall be responsible to



ensure that a responsible supervisor at her place of employment receives a copy of this Order, and makes a written report to the Board regarding respondent's progress as a respiratory therapist and compliance with this Order after every 2 months of practice under the temporary permit, and it is further

ORDERED that if Houda Elkhoury qualifies for a permanent license, any such license shall be granted on probation until such time as Houda Elkhoury's criminal probation is terminated, with such terms and conditions as imposed in the discretion of the Board,

ORDERED that Houda Elkhoury shall comply with all statutes and regulations governing the practice of respiratory care.

ORDERED that upon receipt of information indicating that Ms. Elkhoury has failed to comply with any provision of this Order, the temporary license of Houda Elkhoury herein granted shall be automatically suspended without further hearing. In such event, Houda Elkhoury shall have the right to apply for removal of the automatic suspension, on notice, but in such event shall be limited to a showing that she has fully complied with the provisions of this Order.

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I have read and I understand the within Order and agree to be bound by the terms herein. Consent is hereby given for the Board to enter this Order.

Houda Elkhoury

Respiratory Care Practitioner

Dated: 407/04

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